

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 282

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES COGHILL AND FATE

Introduced: 1/18/02

Referred: Labor and Commerce, Health, Education and Social Services

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to prescription drug benefits under a group health care insurance**
2 **plan."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 *** Section 1.** AS 21.54 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 21.54.155. Prescription drug benefits.** A health care insurance plan
6 sold in the group market that provides prescription drug benefits may not impose

7 (1) a higher copayment amount or lower supply limit for a prescription
8 drug purchased from a pharmacy in this state than the copayment amount or supply
9 limit imposed for a prescription drug purchased by mail order;

10 (2) a penalty against a pharmacist if the penalty results from the
11 pharmacist's accurately filling a prescription for which the pharmacist received written
12 or electronic approval from the health care insurance plan administrator; or

13 (3) a supply limit for a prescription if the supply limit is lower than the
14 supply limit described in the prescription.